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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

This letter documents my support for the proposed settlement of the Microsoft antitrust case, in accordance with the Tunney Act. This case has been negotiated for over three years under a court-appointed mediator, and it is time to implement the settlement.

There are many terms in the settlement which individually would be enough to make sure that competition is increased; the multitude of them should be a fantasy for Microsoft's competitors. Microsoft has sworn to give its competitors access to all necessary Windows interface programs so that they can link with and promote their software products. In addition, Microsoft has agreed to allow the all-new Technical Committee to monitor its progress in complying with all provisions.

This case should be finalized soon. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Jon A. Groves

CC: Representative Mark Green